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Re: United States Patent for *Sterically Hindered Poly(Ethylene Glycol)*  
*Alkanoic Acids and Derivatives Thereof*  
Application No. 10/813,601; Filed March 30, 2004  
Patent No. 6,992,168; Issued January 31, 2006  
Our File 034848/276723

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued for the above-identified patent, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.322. This request is made in order to correct the mistakes incurred through the fault of the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO").

The mistakes appearing in the patent are set forth on the Certificate of Correction enclosed herewith, with an additional copy thereof and a postal card being enclosed in accordance with the present USPTO practice.

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INVENTOR(S) : Bentley *et al.*

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 14,

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